ARKANSAS WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



* Planting Soybeans/Harvesting Wheat/Cutting Hay

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RELEASED: July 8, 2002 3:00 p.m.- Average high temperatures ranged in the upper 90's for the preceding week. Scattered showers continued throughout the state, but there was no precipitation that would significantly impact crop progress according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. There were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Soil moisture supplies were 10 percent very short, 42 percent short, 47 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

CROPS: Soybean planting is winding down. Mid-season nitrogen is being applied to rice fields, with many fields being sprayed for sheath blight. Cotton and soybeans were being cultivated. Wheat harvest is nearing completion. Some cotton fields were being sprayed for aphids and boll weevils. Grasshoppers and stinkbugs are being reported as serious challenges. Corn, sorghum, cotton, and soybeans are being irrigated. Tomato harvest continues.

LIVESTOCK: Cattle are in good condition with some counties reporting the need for continual working of livestock. Pasture land is being fertilized and other weed control measures being applied. First hay cutting and baling are now being completed.

Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %						Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
SORGHUM					1	8	32	49	10	
Headed	51	27	55	35						
CORN					0	3	29	54	14	
Tassling ¹	89	73	84	86						
COTTON					2	7	38	48	5	
Squaring	94	84	100	96						
Setting Bolls	26	6	48	26						
RICE					2	6	29	47	16	
Headed	3	2	2	4						
SOYBEANS					2	8	33	48	9	
Planted	98	95	98	96						
Emerged	94	89	93	91						
Blooming	18	9	32	17						
WHEAT										
Harvested	98	97	96	97						
ОТН. НАҮ					0	2	32	58	8	
PASTURE					1	4	28	58	9	

¹ This is the third year for reporting corn tassling. The average is for two years only.

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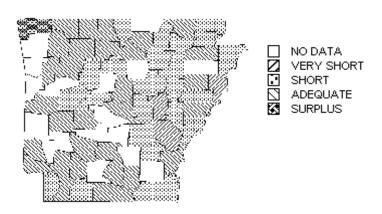
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SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

July 7, 2002. Temperatures ranged in the upper 90's for highs during the week, scattered showers throughout the state. Hot Springs recorded the high temperature of 100° and Calico Rock recorded the low temperature of 62° . Precipitation ranged from a high of 2.15 inches at El Dorado and a low of 0.00 inch at several reporting stations.



TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: July 7, 2002

	TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEER ENDING: July 1, 2002									
	TE	MPERA	ATURES	RAINFALL						
DISTRICT			DEPARTURE	WEEK	CURRENT		JANUARY-JUN			
AND	HIGH	LOW	FROM	ENDING	JUL	JUL				
STATION			NORMAL	JUL 7	ACCUM.	NORMAL	2002	NORMAL		
1 Fayetteville	92	65	-1	0.13	0.13	3.14	26.14	23.37		
Harrison	91	66	0	0.93	0.93	2.72	32.42	22.95		
2 Calico Rock	95	62	2	0.00	0.00	3.07	31.83	23.37		
Greers Ferry	96	67	2	0.00	0.00	3.42	28.24	25.83		
Mountain Home	93	68	3	0.00	0.00	2.73	30.83	23.19		
3 Batesville	94	66	-1	0.00	0.00	3.13	23.97	24.24		
Jonesboro	98	72	4	0.00	0.00	2.73	20.81	24.50		
Keiser	97	68	3	0.12	0.12	3.56	26.13	26.87		
Newport	99	70	4	0.00	0.00	3.31	24.98	25.16		
4 Booneville	95	69	-2	0.69	0.69	3.51	32.33	24.65		
Clarksville	97	70	3	0.05	0.05	2.90	31.10	24.05		
Dardanelle	97	70	0	0.00	0.00	3.31	26.31	25.11		
Ft. Smith	95	70	0	1.11	1.11	3.19	32.33	22.38		
Mena	92	66	-1	1.18	1.18	5.05	31.54	29.15		
Ozark	94	68	-1	0.76	0.76	3.48	35.12	22.63		
5 Conway	98	71	2	0.02	0.02	2.93	26.99	25.30		
Hot Springs	100	67	0	1.26	1.26	4.18	28.05	29.68		
Little Rock	96	70	1	0.48	0.48	3.31	25.57	26.29		
N Little Rock	98	72	4	0.57	0.57	3.15	22.85	25.46		
6 Brinkley	95	71	2	0.00	0.00	3.15	25.28	27.41		
Marianna	95	71	2	0.22	0.22	3.83	25.05	28.65		
Stuttgart	97	72	2	0.00	0.00	3.24	30.49	30.49		
7 Hope	95	70	0	0.80	0.80	3.78	31.95	27.65		
Texarkana	99	71	1	0.45	0.45	3.78	25.18	23.81		
8 Camden	96	70	1	1.91	1.91	3.90	27.74	27.90		
El Dorado	95	69	1	2.15	2.15	4.13	25.13	29.54		
Warren	94	69	1	0.02	0.02	4.04	26.82	29.59		
9 Eudora	97	71	1	0.15	0.15	3.57	30.78	32.40		
Pine Bluff	98	71	2	0.00	0.00	4.02	27.41	27.17		
Rohwer	96	72	2	0.00	0.00	3.79	31.30	28.37		